

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

The specification has been amended to add section headings.

Drawing Figure 1 has been amended to schematically illustrate each recited feature of the invention by the addition of elements 100, 110, and 120 as well as the symbols I, I', E, e', θ , θ' , δ , and δ' .

The previously pending claims have been replaced with new claims drafted to patentably recite the present invention taking into account the claim objections and the rejection under section 112, 2nd paragraph. Withdrawal of the objection and indefinites rejection is solicited.

Claims 15-17 and 25 were rejected as obvious over DREVILLON 6,175,412 in view of GORMAN 4,523,848.

The remaining claims were indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter.

Since each of the independent claims include subject matter indicated to be allowable, allowance of all of the pending claims is solicited.

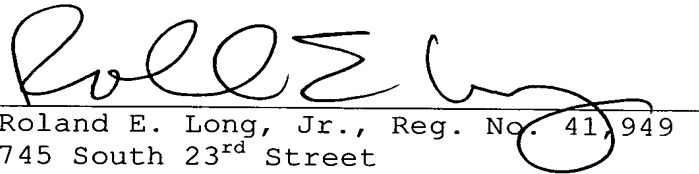
If there remain any further formal matters, it is requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted by telephone to arrange an interview to remedy any identified formal matters.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested. However, if there should be any matters which can be resolved by interview, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted to arrange and conduct such an interview in order to place the case in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

- ☐ - a terminal disclaimer
- ☐ - a 37 CFR 1.132 Declaration
- ☐ - a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☒ - a Replacement Sheet for Figure 1 of the drawings
- ☐ - a Substitute Specification and a marked-up copy of the originally-filed specification
- ☐ - a verified English translation of foreign priority document

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

Drawing Figure 1 has been amended to schematically illustrate each recited feature of the invention by the addition of elements 100, 110, and 120 as well as the symbols I, I', E, e', θ , θ' , δ , and δ' .